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Misc. 400/40. Central Apr. 26th, 40.

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2p.m. - 2.30p.m. 26-4-40. 128 Museum Road.

Re threat of violence.

Complainant, one Walter Cohn, German Refugee, Manager of "WACO", 128 Museum Road Room 631, reported to the Station at 2p.m. 26-4-40 that his foreman, named Yau Kai Ching (余啓清) had threatened his staff, 9 Chinese workmen, to beat them up, would they continue to work in complainant's factory.

Enquiries made by D.S. Krader and C.D.C. 209 revealed that the complainant had dismissed the accused at 9a.m. even date, owing to his inefficiency in the work.

However, the accused who did not want to leave, requested the other workmen to stop their work in sign of protest for his dismissal.

The staff thus afraid did not dare to take up their duty in the afternoon, in this way causing the complainant considerable damage to the effect that urgent orders could not be executed.

At 2.15p.m. even date all the workmen were taken to the station and questioned, however the accused promised to leave his job without further trouble.

He was released and the others again took up their work in the factory.

Forwarded for information.

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